

CORRECTION

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8345–S8379

Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1947–1948, and S. Res. 344. **Page S8376**

Cordray Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Richard Cordray, of Ohio, to be Director, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection. **Page S8347**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Thursday, December 8, 2011. **Page S8347**

Halligan Nomination—Cloture: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Caitlin Joan Halligan, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit. **Pages S8352–61**

By 54 yeas to 45 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 222), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S8361**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—222) **Page S8361**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:03 p.m., until 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, December 7, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8379.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WALL STREET REFORM ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine continued oversight of the implementation of the "Wall Street Reform Act", after receiving testimony from Neal S. Wolin, Deputy Secretary, and John Walsh, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, both of the Department of the Treasury; Daniel K. Tarullo, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Mary L. Schapiro, Chairman, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; and Martin J. Gruenberg, Acting Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

CONTAMINATED DRYWALL

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine contaminated drywall, focusing on examining the current health, housing and product safety issues facing homeowners, after receiving testimony from Neal S. Cohen, Office of Education, Global Outreach, and Small Business Ombudsman, Consumer Product Safety Commission; Christopher J. Portier, Director, National Center for Environmental Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Department of Health and Human Services; William C. Shelton, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development Director, Richmond; and Brenda Brincku, Alva, Florida.

TAX REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee with the House Committee on Ways and Means concluded a joint hearing to examine tax reform and the tax treatment of financial products, after receiving testimony from Thomas A. Barthold, Chief of Staff, Joint Committee on Taxation, United States Congress; Alex Raskolnikov, Columbia Law School, and David S.

Miller, Cadwalader, Wickersham and Taft LLP, both of New York, New York; and Andrea S. Kramer, McDermott Will and Emery LLP, Chicago, Illinois.

WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight concluded a hearing to examine whistleblower protections for government contractors, including S. 241, to expand whistleblower protections to non-Federal employees whose disclosures involve misuse of Federal funds, after receiving testimony from Peggy E. Gustafson, Inspector General, U.S. Small Business Administration, and Chair of the Legislation Committee, Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency; Marguerite C. Garrison, Deputy Inspector General for Administrative Investigations, Department of Defense; Angela Canterbury, Project on Government Oversight (POGO), Washington, D.C.; and Walter L. Tamosaitis, Richland, Washington.

TELEVISIONING THE SUPREME COURT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded a hearing to examine access to the court, focusing on televising the Supreme Court, including S. 1945, to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings,

and S. 410, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings, after receiving testimony from former Senator Arlen Specter; Anthony J. Scirica, Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit; Mark Cady, Chief Justice Iowa Supreme Court, Des Moines; and Tom Goldstein, Goldstein and Russell, P.C., and Maureen Mahoney, Latham and Watkins LLP, both of Washington, D.C.

EXPRESS SCRIPTS/MEDCO MERGER

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights concluded a hearing to examine the Express Scripts/Medco merger, after receiving testimony from George Paz, Express Scripts Inc., St. Louis, Missouri; David B. Snow, Jr., Medco Health Solutions, Inc., Franklin Lakes, New Jersey; Scott E. Streator, The Ohio State University Medical Center, Columbus; Sue Sutter, National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA), Horicon, Wisconsin; Michael J. Bettiga, Shopko Stores, Green Bay, Wisconsin, on behalf of the National Association of Chain Drug Stores; and David A. Balto, Washington, D.C.; on behalf of the Consumers Union, Consumer Federation of America, National Consumers League, U.S. Public Interest Research Group, and the National Legislative Association on Prescription Drug Prices.